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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$3097-\$3122

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 595–605. Page S3113

Measures Considered:

Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Battlefield Protection Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 146, to establish a battlefield acquisition grant program for the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. Pages \$3101-10

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 73 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. 99), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 2009. Page S3122

Nomination—Referral Agreement: A unanimousconsent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary of Fish and Wildlife, sent to the Senate by the President on March 12, 2009, be jointly referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Gary Locke, of Washington, to be Secretary of Commerce.

Roy W. Kienitz, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Demetrios J. Marantis, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

R. Gil Kerlikowske, of Washington, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy.

Ladda Tammy Duckworth, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs). Page S3122

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—99)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:27 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$3122.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner and Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

GLOBAL COUNTERTERRORISM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing to examine global counterterrorism efforts from national security briefers.